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**REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.322**

**Attn: Certificate of Corrections Branch**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents

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**Certificate**  
**JUL 27 2009**  
**of Correction**

Dear Commissioner:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.322 of the Rules of Practice, which implement 35 U.S.C. 254, approval of the attached Certificate of Correction for the above-identified patent to correct the errors noted below appearing in the issued patent is respectfully requested.

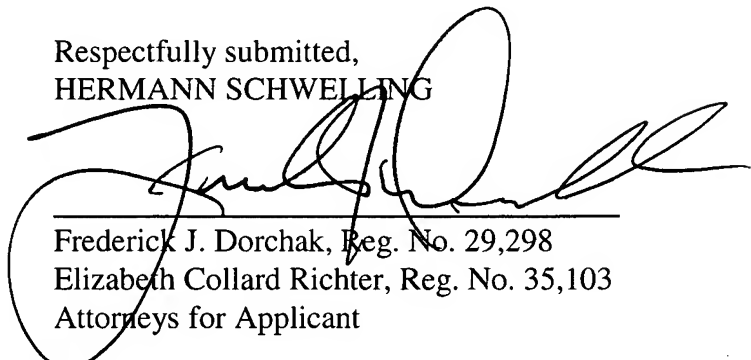
Most recently, in reviewing the above-identified patent, it was discovered that an error appeared in Claim 4, which should be corrected.

In particular, in Column 8, line 37, (Line 1 of Claim 4) please change "claim 3 to correctly read: **--claim 2--**.

Since the error was the fault of the PTO, as is shown by the attached excerpt from the amendment dated February 27, 2009, no fee is required for the filing of this Certificate of Correction. However, should any additional fees be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 03-2468.

Accordingly, approval of the attached Certificate of Correction is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,  
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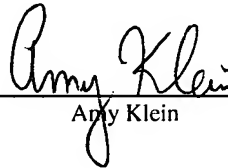
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(6.4) to the groove base (6.2) and/or the groove flank (6.1) that lies in the direction of rotation is configured in arc shape

Claim 2 (Canceled).

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): Device according to claim 1, wherein a separator / selector (10) is disposed ahead of the cutting mechanism and wherein the separator / selector (10) is a vane shaft that possesses three or four vanes (12), the free vane ends of which trail, seen in the direction of rotation (R').

Claim 4 (Canceled).

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): Device according to claim 3, wherein the vanes attached in the center, i.e. on the axle of rotation, are configured in polygon manner (17) or in arc shape (18) towards their free ends.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): Device according to claim

3, wherein the separator / selector (10) is disposed ahead of the cutting mechanism, the separator/selector comprising two star-shaped shafts, seen in a face side view.

Claim 7 (Canceled).

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): Device according to claim 1, wherein the so-called cutting play (16) between adjacent cutting disks (5) of the cutting mechanism has a value between 0.005 mm and 2 mm.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): Device according to claim 1, wherein the overlap of adjacent and opposite cutting disks (5) has a value between 0.5 mm and 15 mm.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): Device according to claim 1, wherein the cutting rollers comprise the material 42CrMoS4.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): Device according to claim

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